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Alpha Alpha State Welcomes Sandra Smith Bull to Convention



Executive Coordinator of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Sandra Smith Bull, will be the International Guest at the Alpha Alpha State Convention June 9-11, 2006, in State College, PA.

Sandra served Andrews and Austin, Texas school students as teacher and librarian for 25 years before beginning her administrative career at Society Headquarters in Austin. With 6 years as Business Services Administrator and nearly 3 years as Executive Coordinator, Sandra brings both an optimistic and pragmatic vision of what the Society can be for women educators.

A charter member of Lambda Iota Chapter in the Texas state organization, Sandra has held most every office in the chapter and is very proud of receiving the chapter's achievement award. She has been an area coordinator for

Alpha State Organization and has chaired the State Nominations Committee. Winning an Alpha State Achievement Award was a true highlight in her Delta Kappa Gamma career, as was being a participant in the 1999 Golden Gift Leadership/Management Seminar. Delta Kappa Gamma has offered Sandra countless opportunities for personal growth, community involvement and professional mentorship.

In addition to her countless duties as Executive Coordinator, Sandra serves as a member of various international committees, ex officio, without vote and is the Secretary-Treasurer of The Board of Trustees, The Educational Foundation, ex officio, with vote.

Alpha Alpha State Organization members will have many opportunities to interact with Sandra during the June state convention. There will be an informal reception for her and the Alpha Alpha State Women of Distinction on Friday evening. She will be in attendance at all events, including delivering a keynote address during the birthday luncheon on Saturday. Once you meet Sandra, you will thereafter always think of her as a friend. Coming to convention for this purpose alone will be worth your time!

Past State President Eloise Kousz Dies

Eloise Kousz served as a charter member and president of Alpha Beta Chapter. She also served as the 1975-77 Alpha Alpha State president, first and second vice president, as well as chairman of several committees. Her husband, John, faithfully supported her in all of her Delta Kappa Gamma endeavors.

Eloise taught at Interboro Junior High School in Prospect Park, eventually assuming the position of English Department Chairman. She was active in educational organizations as well as her church. Her love of music continued in her retirement years as she volunteered as a church and community group vocalist.



Portrait by Judy Meinert,
Alpha Xi

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Dr. Lyn Schmid (L) visits with Beta Chapter President, Maura Wesner (Center) and First Vice President, Karen Braucher

Photo courtesy Beth Johnson

Alpha Alpha State President's Message

By Lyn B. Schmid, Ed. D.

however, they aren't quite sure how to inspire their sisters to participate fully in all that Delta Kappa Gamma has to offer.

Perhaps an important thing for the servant leader to remember is that it is not enough to have love and concern about Delta Kappa Gamma inside. To be the builder, we must show the caring that we feel to our chapter members, and it is our behavior and work that will serve as the role models.

Will you take an active role in your chapter, in your state organization, in the work of the International Society in this coming biennium? Will you attend local, state, and international meetings? If you are not actively building, then the poem infers that you are tearing down what took those who went before you years to build.

The upcoming new chapter biennium will be a terrific time to begin to develop the relationships that will lead to stronger chapter ties and more active chapter involvement. The true servant leader cares deeply about the people in the organization, not just the organization itself. What, then, are some behaviors that will develop these relationships?

1. Make eye contact. All people learn to check the messages that you send by looking in your eyes. One leader who had nearly 100 members in her chapter told me she was hesitant to do this before she learned everyone's name! How about making name tags for everyone?!

2. Make physical contact. This doesn't have to be a hug. It can be a handshake or just standing closer when you speak to someone. My dear friend, Sigrun Klara Hannesdottir, ΔΚΓ sister from Iceland, once told me that when she first came to the US, she felt very unwelcome. In her country it is customary to shake hands with co-workers every day, and the lack of physical contact that she experienced here made her think Americans were distant. When we hug some members of the group but not others, what message are we sending? Why not institute the custom of greeting sisters with a handshake at every chapter meeting this biennium?

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Builder's Poem

*I watched them tear a building down,
A gang of men in a busy town.*

*With a ho-heave-ho and a lusty yell,
They swung a beam and a sidewall fell.*

*I asked the foreman, "Are these men skilled,
The kind you'd hire if you had to build?"*

*The foreman laughed and said, "No indeed!
Unskilled labor is all I need."*

*"These men can wreck in a day or two,
what would take a builder a year to do."*

*I asked myself as I went on my way,
"Which of these roles have I chosen to play?"*

MEMBERSHIP

By Susan Stamm, Membership Chairman

3. Notice the good work that members do. Whether you have accepted a leadership role or an active membership role this biennium, make it a point to compliment and thank sisters for the things they do - however small - to help make the chapter more active and productive. Make it a point to give 20 compliments to chapter members this biennium and observe the difference it makes in both the receivers' and your lives. It will make you more successful in life than watching 20 new movies!

In this world there are builders and wreckers. Builders wanted!



President's Itinerary

- March** 3-4 Eastern Area Chapter Presidents' Training
Lancaster, PA
11 Beta Xi Chapter Visit
State College, PA
17 Scholarship Committee Meeting
Somerset, PA
24-25 Western Area Chapter Presidents' Training
TBA
26 Area Meeting for Eta, Chi, Omega, Beta
Beta, Beta Gamma & Beta Delta Chapters
York, PA
- April** 1 Joint Meeting for Zeta, Lambda, Alpha
Slippery Rock, PA
8 Joint Meeting for Iota, Beta Epsilon &
Beta Xi
Johnstown, PA
22 Joint Meeting for Tau, Mu, Sigma, Alpha
Rho & Beta Sigma
Wilkes Barre, PA
29 Beta Omicron Meeting
Ephrata, PA
- May** 6 Finance Committee Meeting
Bedford, PA
20 Joint Meeting for Gamma, Alpha Iota &
Alpha Omega
Erie, PA
- June** 9-11 State Convention

It will soon be time for the "changing of the guard" in our local chapters. Chapters are now in the process of nominating and electing new officers for the 2006-2008 biennium, and that means that by June and state convention time, these new officers will be able to receive the training they need for their new responsibilities from the Alpha Alpha state officers at the Nittany Lion Inn in State College on June 9-11.

New chapter membership chairmen must plan your biennium agenda and calendar to include the following:

- Attend State Convention for orientation and training sessions
- Campaign for new members
- Initiate several times a year
- Keep chapter members aware of their responsibilities related to membership and bringing in new members
- Keep membership data in front of members

Take time to discuss and develop a plan for chapter growth-*everyone* must be involved in the planning and carrying out the plan.

Evaluate chapter activities to assess how the chapter is proceeding.

Involve non-members in chapter activities.

Encourage the chapter to reach out to the community.

It is important that the community learn who Delta Kappa Gamma members are by the contributions they make to the lives of women and education.

Check that correct membership procedures are followed. Keep check on procedures used by the treasurer. Assure that no members fall through the cracks.

Pay particular attention to aging members who have belonged for many years; sometimes, present chapter members do not know these members. Don't just let them fade out of existence.

If you do all of the above, you will practice and assure successful membership procedures in our Society.



Program Ideas That Work

By Carolyn Sutton, Alpha Alpha State Program Chair

The 2006-2010 International Program theme is *Passion for Learning: the Essence of Growth*. The new edition of the planning guide is available for purchase from International Headquarters. It is a valuable team planning tool for interesting and exciting chapter programs.

In addition, as requested in your Chapter Biennial Reports, I will share ideas from across Alpha Alpha State for program planning in the next several issues of our newsletter.

- Highlight your Grant-in-Aid student. **Beta Theta Chapter** held a vocal recital by their student accompanied by a chapter member.
- Take a tour. **Beta Beta Chapter** visited an antique carriage museum and a one-room schoolhouse.
- **Beta Sigma Chapter** held their first initiation and followed with a Victorian High Tea.
- **Upsilon Chapter** plans ahead toward the next year. They hold a book discussion at their September meeting. The books are chosen before summer, allowing their members to prepare for a small group discussion.
- **Eta Chapter** had a Bell Ringing Program, "Make a Joyful Noise". A local bell choir director explained the history of bell ringing and then taught chapter members some techniques of bell ringing.
- Past Presidents of **Iota Chapter** presented an historical review of the founding of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Iota Chapter, and Alpha Alpha State.

Chapter Program Chairmen are urged to attend the Program of Work Committee Workshop at state convention for idea sharing and valuable information to help you in your chapter work.



PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Seeks Nominees for the 2006 Album of Distinction

By Cindy G. Reynolds, Chairman

Delta Kappa Gamma women are not only dedicated educators but also contributing members of many other professional, civic, and/or religious organizations. Alpha Alpha State recognizes members for their outstanding contributions to community service programs and/or affiliations beyond The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Once again, the members of the Professional Affairs Committee will recognize a number of these women at the State Convention on June 9, 2006, in State College. You all know a member who has distinguished herself for services beyond the Society.

Criteria for Album of Distinction Candidate

The following criteria have been established to create a consistent recognition for Alpha Alpha State members. Consider the following criteria in order to complete the nomination form to nominate one of your chapter members for the 2006 "Women of Distinction" Album:

- ❖ Recognition must be for an honor received for community service or high distinction outside The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.
- ❖ Recognition will be given on an annual basis during the state convention. This year's candidates shall have received their honors between May 15, 2005, and April 30, 2006.
- ❖ The nominee must be a contributing/participating member in good standing with her chapter (including active, reserve, honorary members).
- ❖ A complete nomination form will be filed with the chairman of The Professional Affairs Committee by May 1, 2006, in order to be recognized at the 2006 convention. Nominations for candidates receiving awards after the stated deadline may be resubmitted for recognition during the following year's convention.
- ❖ All Album of Distinction awardees will be honored at the Friday Night Reception on June 9, 2006, at the state convention. Award winners and their chapter presidents (or a designee) are expected to attend.
- ❖ A wallet-size picture of the nominee must be included with the nomination form.
- ❖ Any member can file a nomination form on behalf of another member.
- ❖ All awardees will be notified of their selection by May 15, 2006, in time to register for the convention.

Please complete the Nomination Form and submit it no later than May 1, 2006. Then join us at the state convention for the reception to meet and acknowledge the recipients from across the state.

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The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Alpha Alpha State

Nomination Form for "Women of Distinction" Album, 2006

Name of Nominee: _____

Complete Address: _____

Phone: _____ *Email:*

Chapter: _____ Date of Initiation: _____

Membership Status: (circle one): Active Reserve Honorary

Current Professional Position/Location: _____

How is the nominee a contributing/participating member of her chapter (include attachments if necessary)?

Description of the Award(s) received between May 15, 2005 and April 30, 2006 (include attachments if necessary):

*****INCLUDE A WALLET SIZE PHOTO OF THE NOMINEE!!!*****

Person completing this form: _____ Chapter: _____

Signature _____ Print name _____

Complete Address: _____

Phone: _____ *E-mail:*

*****Only complete forms accompanied by a photo will be considered.*****

Deadline for submission of form: May 1, 2006

Mail to: Cindy G. Reynolds, Professional Affairs Chairman



PROJECTS, PROJECTS, PROJECTS By Karen Tinstman, Projects Chairman

The mission of the Projects Committee is to guarantee that our projects support the seven goals of our Society and reflect the vision of our president. As was shared in the fall issue of *The Keystonean*, Dr. Lyn Schmid has chosen to continue two of the projects from our previous biennium, the Afghanistan Teacher Training Project and the ABC (At Risk Baby Crib) Quilt Project. (See further information on pages 6 and 7.) Don't forget to continue your support of these two successful endeavors. We have done so well the past 2 years in both areas. Remember that we are the 5th ranked state in giving to the Afghanistan Project and donated a total of 307 quilts last biennium. Our newest project, the "Expect A Miracle Project" described on page 12, completes the project circle of Alpha Alpha State, making a difference in the lives of children everywhere. (See related articles on pages 6, 7 and 12.)

ABC Quilt Project

By Karen Ball & Tracey Dusch, Projects Committee

During Dr. Lyn Schmid's biennium Alpha Alpha State will once again embrace the "ABC Quilt" project. Delta Kappa Gamma became a first-time contributor to this wonderful project in 1999.

Who could have possibly imagined that two grandmothers in a small New Hampshire town would start a volunteer effort that would someday span the United States? That is exactly what happened in 1988 when Ann White and Ellen Ahlgren decided to make baby quilts for children in local hospitals who were diagnosed with HIV/Aids.

When these grandmothers saw there were also babies who suffered at birth from their exposure to drugs and alcohol in utero, they widened their cause and their hearts to include these unfortunate little ones. Sending love and comfort to these children is the mission of the ABC Quilts.

The name stands for **At Risk Baby Quilts**. Many of these children will be born, abandoned, and live their short lives in hospitals and other care facilities. This gift of a quilt is the only brush with love and comfort they will have in their short lifetimes, outside their immediate caregivers. Sadly these children are often buried in this, their one and only possession.

Many new groups have become involved in this project, and today about 50,000 school children, scouts, and other youths are involved in serving their communities in this fashion.

One of the grandmothers had been a teacher. As her students asked questions such as "Why do these children suffer?" and "What causes these types of diseases?" she saw a wonderful opportunity to develop a substance-abuse prevention and education program to be used along with the quilt-making lessons.

You can log on to: <http://abcquilts.org/home.html> to find books to organize a group in your school.

Many women say, "I can't sew or quilt!" or "I am so busy that I don't have the time!" or "We have all this Society stuff to do and NOW they want me to do something this TIME CONSUMING?"

I can't think of a better way to show your **servant leadership** than challenging your chapter to get involved in this project. Why not issue a challenge to your chapter members to see how many quilts your group can contribute to this worthy cause?

There are several ways that you can accomplish this task within your time constraints. Fleece has taken the world by storm; it can be seen everywhere, and you may even have a garment hanging in your closet made out of fleece.

Once you have purchased fabric, you can lay the fleece out and make your cuts and tie basic knots. From start to finish you will have spent about 40 minutes maximum time! That's it!

Why don't you schedule a chapter meeting that revolves around this project? The instructions are available for fleece blankets. If you watch the sales in your area, you can get the fleece from a Jo-Ann Fabric store or local Wal-Mart for about \$4.99 per yard or less.

You will need 2 1/2 yards of fleece fabric and a pair of sharp scissors or rotary cutter and mat, 40 minutes of your time and "voila" an "ABC Crib Quilt."

If you are a traditionalist when it comes to quilting, the directions for a hand or machine-pieced quilt can be found on the website listed earlier in this article. I look forward to seeing all of the beautiful ways that your chapter can use this fabric. Each quilt will be counted and recorded for your chapter, and a certificate will be issued to each chapter that donates an "ABC Quilt."

Please attach a label to the back of each quilt. You can get one of these labels by contacting your local "ABC Quilt Coordinator". Your coordinator can be located by logging onto:

<http://abcquilts.org/home.html>

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Afghanistan Project

SUPPORT CONTINUES

Imagine that your school has been destroyed by a catastrophic event, natural or otherwise. You and your students no longer have a building to go to, textbooks to read, materials to use. And to make matters worse, your district is not going to be able to rebuild your school for several years. If this were to happen, you and your students would probably be absorbed by another district until all of you were able to return to your original district and a new building. The educational process for you and your students would eventually continue with minor inconveniences.

However, in Afghanistan, where much of the infrastructure has been devastated by years of conflict, there is no "other district" to absorb those schools that have been destroyed or those students that have been displaced.

After more than twenty years of conflict and Taliban rule, the Afghanistan government is attempting to rebuild schools and re-establish educational opportunities for both girls and boys throughout their war torn country. The Afghanistan government and Ministry of Education have entrusted UNICEF to play a major role in this project. UNICEF programs focus on gender equality in the classroom (only 8% of girls and 32% of boys are enrolled in school), training of female teachers (currently, 28% of Afghan teachers are female), a language arts curriculum, and landmine education.

Specifically, the professional development program for teachers focuses on interactive and child-centered teaching as opposed to the traditional lecture method. A revised curriculum and textbooks appropriate to Afghan language and culture have been developed for use in the

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By Valerie Ripple, Projects Committee

primary grades, and tens of thousands of teachers still must be trained to use this new material. The cost of this training is approximately \$24 per teacher. As of the summer of 2005, The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International had contributed \$121,218.83 (Alpha Alpha state contributed \$7459.18 of this), providing for the professional development of approximately 5050 teachers. Impressive as this sounds, keep in mind that over 60,000 teachers still require training.

During Taliban rule, home schools and secret schools, both operating under threat of severe punishment, bore testimony to the desire of Afghan parents to educate their children.

Today, the excitement and enthusiasm of Afghan boys and girls eagerly returning to newly opened schools shows the desire of the children to receive an education. As an international organization

concerned with education, Delta Kappa Gamma Society International has welcomed the opportunity to help these students acquire the education they so passionately desire.

Our own Alpha Alpha State is ranked in the top five states in contributions to this project, and we would like to continue to make a significant difference in the lives of Afghan children and their teachers. Many chapters have designated fundraisers specifically for the Afghanistan Project; some include holding raffles, 50-50 drawings, bake sales, and auctions, or selling Lucinda pins or other items. We hope that these generous contributions continue, and that chapters which are not already part of this vital effort to provide education for all in Afghanistan will consider what they might do to aid this important international project.

Alpha Alpha State Chorus at Convention 2006

By Grace Schauer, Visual and Performing Arts Chair

Make the time at state convention this year a special experience. Plan to participate in the Alpha Alpha State Chorus and meet a special guest, Pamela Chappell. She is an inspiring vocalist who has recorded five CD's of her heart warming songs and has performed at international convention and regional conventions. You have heard some of the songs at the 2005 Seminar of Purpose and at convention. Pamela will sing along with the chorus as well as

present a workshop for everyone. Come sing along and meet her up close and personal.



More good news for our chorus members is that we will rehearse from 8:30 to 9:30 PM on Friday night this year. Now we will have time to relax or participate in a fun-filled, late-night activity. Sorry, the Saturday morning rehearsal is still an early one.

PROGRAM OF WORK

Personal Growth and Services

By Joan O. Peters, Personal Growth Committee

"mens sana in corpore sano"

"a sound mind in a sound body"

As a teacher of Latin, I have been favorably disposed toward this powerful phrase for many decades. This was the ideal of the ancient Romans. Roman doctors and the Roman people were convinced that many ills and weaknesses could be overcome by good diet and proper exercise.

The immediate foci of my interpretation are these: eat properly, think positively, exercise regularly, and interact responsibly. Because it is absolutely important to make wise choices each day of our lives, we must be circumspect and prudent about how we budget our time and expend our energy. Truly these are among our most precious and valuable assets.

Life is a gift, not a state of emergency. Life involves living and learning, caring and sharing, making judicious decisions, building strong relationships, remaining committed to purposeful activities, identifying and accepting individuality and diversity among those with whom we share the task of living together in our world, and helping to make the environment better and safer for others.

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."
— Helen Keller

Let's keep reminding ourselves that not only are we called to help develop a more peaceful world, but to accent and nurture the fundamental task of creating our own lifestyles. As Thomas Merton wrote in *Love and Living*, "Each one of us works out his own destiny in inseparable union with all those others with whom God has willed us to live. We share with one another the creative work of living in the world."

In essence, people cannot live without hope and joy. We have been blessed with the ability to think about future plans and goals and to comprehend our actions based on what we are looking forward to and what we are hoping for. Who in the whole world knows more about the significance of hope in daily encounters than the key women educators of Delta Kappa Gamma? Hope must be based on unselfish motivation; it must betoken dignity, purpose, and intentions that are symbols of integrity, charity, courage, and respect.

As individuals we have dignity and worth; as part of the human family we have something special to offer the world; as members of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, we can and do make a real difference as a direct result of our uniqueness, our dedication to the Society's mission statement and seven purposes; our desire to grow, both personally and professionally; and our indubitable commitment to respect, support, encourage, and lead for concomitant benefits. Such is the inherent value of the emphasis on SERVANT LEADERSHIP. Indeed, we must be quiet servant leaders and stress leading by good example.

"Love life. Love living life. Enjoy the art of living."
— Maya Angelou

RESEARCH: Moving right along!

By Cynthia Kramer, Research Chair

The research committee has been at work collecting data from each chapter for the new demographic membership study. At this time, sixty percent of the chapters have returned their information. It is necessary for 100% participation for our study to be accurate.

We, as a research committee, want to thank all chapter presidents or their designated assignee for forwarding their information in such a timely manner. A research committee representative will contact each chapter president missing reports. Please ask for help if you have any questions. (lost instructions, forms, etc.) *** **A big hint:** Every chapter treasurer has most of the necessary information in her membership report to

International (only item missing would be members' school districts). We would be glad to help.

We can now start the second phase of our project. Each committee is summarizing and readying the received information data for computer analyzation. Connie Roupp, committee member has developed the program to review and analyze the state's membership.

We are looking forward to an early meeting in May to ready our findings. We plan to review our present membership status, consider recommendations, and look for ways to accomplish new goals. There should be many opportunities for every chapter and every Delta Kappa Gamma member to help increase our membership in the future.

STATE COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS



THE LEGISLATIVE LINK

By Carol Herbert, U.S. Forum Liaison

President George W. Bush, first lady Laura Bush, and Education Secretary Margaret Spellings visited North Glen Elementary School in Glen Burnie, MD on January 9 to mark the fourth anniversary of the **No Child Left Behind Act**. North Glen was chosen because it was one of the first Maryland schools to close the "achievement gap", thus symbolizing success under the federal NCLB mandate. The term "achievement gap" is typically used to describe the disparity in test scores between blacks and Hispanics and their white and Asian peers. The percentage of black third-graders at North Glen rated as proficient on the Maryland School Assessment rose from 32 percent in 2003 to 94 percent in 2005. Similar gaps exist between high-poverty students and their more wealthy counterparts. The factors causing the "achievement gap" are numerous, but some of the strongest include poverty, health, early-childhood learning, teacher quality, and strength of curriculum.

The president lauded North Glen's success at a time when support for his signature education initiative has eroded. Many congressional Democrats say that the law is underfunded. Some conservatives say that the law undermines local authority and gives the federal government too much control over schools. Educational researchers say it is too soon to say if the law has prompted lasting improvement in student achievement or will solve the problems in public education.

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA, currently known as NCLB) will come up before Congress for reauthorization in 2007. The National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) Task Force on ESEA Reauthorization officially kicked off its effort to promote substantial changes to the law by participating in a conference call in December of 2005 to exchange points of view, suggestions, and information. Members of the Task Force will be soliciting input from principals in their zones. To find a list of the Task Force members, access:

<http://web.naesp.org/misc/ESEAtaskforce12-05.pdf>.

U.S. Education Secretary Margaret Spellings has outlined new NCLB testing rules for disabled students, formalizing an initiative that benefited 76 Maryland schools and 54 schools in Virginia in the last academic year. Existing rules allow alternative testing for the most

severely disabled students. Now the Bush administration will allow modified tests in qualifying schools for students who have significant learning disabilities, emotional disorders, or other impairments. As a result, up to 3 percent of all students tested in reading and math under the federal law may be scored as proficient through alternative or modified assessments, even though they are academically below grade level.

The National Association of Elementary School Principals advises that to find your legislators' contact information, go to NAESP's Federal Legislative Action Center at <http://capwiz.com/naesp/home/>. Click on the tab called "Elected Officials", enter your zip code, and all three of your U.S. Legislators' photos will appear. Persuade him or her that funding of education programs should be top priority. Ensure they envision the children at your school when a vote for education comes up on Capitol Hill. How? Put education in front of them regularly via e-mail so that it becomes a favorite issue. Give them specific quantifiable data on your school's academic progress with a story about a student, or teacher, or particular subgroup. Vary the content but keep the same message: education should always take precedence.

President George W. Bush recently announced he'll seek \$114 million in fiscal 2007 to boost study of Arabic, Chinese, Russian, Hindi, Farsi, and other languages deemed critical to national security. The program will include adding foreign language courses for kindergartners, increasing college and graduate study opportunities, and creating a pool of language reservists available to the Pentagon and other agencies during emergencies.

BUDGET REQUEST NOTICE

**ATTENTION: All Alpha Alpha
State Officers/Committee Chairs**

All officers and committee chairs must submit budget requests for next year to:

Wanda D. Keller



DEADLINE: April 1, 2006

INTRODUCING OUR NEWEST STATE PROJECT

By Karen Tinstman, Projects Chairman

CAROLYN GABLE, FOUNDER OF "EXPECT A MIRACLE" TO PRESENT AT CONVENTION



Alpha Alpha State has adopted "Expect A Miracle" as its third project for the 2005-2007 biennium. The Carolyn Gable "Expect A Miracle" Foundation's mission is to help working single parents provide their children with extra curricular activities. The founder of "Expect A Miracle", Carolyn Gable, was once a single working parent herself struggling to make ends meet. Now a successful business owner, Carolyn Gable wants to assist others in need.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear Carolyn's presentation at the birthday luncheon and to attend her workshop Saturday afternoon.

Did you ever witness a miracle? Have you ever been part of making a miracle happen for others? It can be a truly rewarding and humbling experience. Webster's Dictionary defines miracles as, "an event or action that apparently contradicts known scientific laws and hence thought to be due to supernatural causes." Did you ever **Expect A Miracle**? Expecting a miracle may require more faith than you can ever imagine having. There is a difference between witnessing or participating in a miracle and **Expecting A Miracle**.

Carolyn Gable knows all about both sides of the story. As a single mother of two children she was forced to drop out of beauty school to support her family as a waitress. She would make \$35.00 a day, buy milk, diapers, and then pay the baby sitter \$15.00. She had to work extra shifts to buy shoes for her boys. Today, she heads an \$18 million dollar brokerage firm that deals between manufacturers and trucking companies. She has never forgotten, however, the struggles of those early years. Knowing the need existed, she decided she wanted to help others in a similar position, so she founded **Expect A Miracle Foundation**. Her organization has helped to pay for summer camps, back-to-school clothes, braces, sports equipment, and music classes as well as dresses and tickets for the prom, just to name a few. This organization sustains itself through donations and fundraisers. Applicants must show proof of employment, as well as their child's birth certificate. This organization purchases the items or services directly to ensure that all funds are spent properly. When asked why she paid for ballet lessons rather than someone's heating bill, Carolyn responds that there are plenty of governmental agencies that can help in those areas. "It's the extra things that make life a little more sweet... everyone deserves that." **Expect A Miracle** is the third project that Alpha Alpha State will support during this biennium.

Our involvement with this organization does not end there, however. Usually, monetary donations go into a general fund to be used by any family who requests assistance. We have made arrangements with **Expect A Miracle** to have our donations benefit Pennsylvania children. Unfortunately, we've been informed, that Pennsylvania families rarely request assistance. Yet, we all know that Pennsylvania children are just as needy as the rest of the country. Perhaps Pennsylvania parents don't request assistance because they aren't aware that this help is available. It is **our** job to find Pennsylvania families who will benefit from our donations. I want to challenge each chapter to find at least one single parent family and help them to **Expect A Miracle**. Maybe you know of people in your chapter, family, school or place of worship, who could use this help. Check out the website at www.expectamiracle-foundation.com for articles, and information. You can download an application and pass it on, or better yet, assist someone in completing it. Then forward it to Michelle at the address shown on the website. You may also be interested in the **Expect A Miracle** colored rubber bracelets that they are selling as a fundraiser. This may be a way for your chapter to introduce this new project to your members. I'm so excited about the possibilities and opportunities for individual children and families to benefit from our donations. Maybe we can help restore their faith and help them to once again believe they can **Expect A Miracle**. Chapter Presidents or Project Chairmen will receive a letter containing forms to complete with the information from each chapter to keep track of our donations. This will help both the **Expect A Miracle Foundation** as well as Alpha Alpha State keep track of our contributions.

(More project information on pages 6 and 7)

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Alpha Alpha State Convention Schedule The Nittany Lion Inn State College, PA

June 9-11, 2006



Servant Leadership - Hand in Hand Our Loyal Band!

Friday, June 9

Casual Dress

- Noon-3 Check in to the Nittany Lion Inn
- 3-7 Registration Opens and Raffle Ticket Sales Begin; Sign up for Chapter Photographs
- 6-8 Chapter Focus Tables and Projects Display Open
- 7-7:30 First Timers' Meeting with Past State Presidents Nancy Grove & Terri Stetler
- 7:30-8 Reception for Sandra Bull and Women of Distinction by Professional Affairs Committee
- 8-8:30 Presentations of Women of Distinction by their Chapter Presidents in Assembly
- 8:30-9:30 Chapter Presidents Training by Leadership Development Committee
- 9:30 Friday Night Fling - I Hope You Dance! Presented by Personal Growth & Services and Historical Records Committees

Saturday, June 10

Business Dress during the day; Best Dress in the evening

- 7:15-8:30 Ticketed Continental Breakfast
- 7:45-11:15 Registration and Raffle Ticket Sales in the Rotunda
- 8 Executive Board Meeting
- 8:45-9:45 First General Session
- 10:15-11:15 Workshops I - Society Business: Chapter Presidents, Personal Growth and Services, Professional Affairs, US Forum, Visual and Performing Arts, Membership, Nominations, International and State Scholarships, Grants, and Stipends, Finance, Chapter Treasurers, Projects, World Fellowships, Rules and Parliamentarians, Historical Records, Research, Communications, Newsletter Editors, and Webmasters
- 11:45 Ticketed Birthday Luncheon; Singing with Pamela Chappell; State Project Presentation by Carolyn Gable, "Expect a Miracle" Foundation; Recognition of Birthday Chapters
- 1:45-2:45 Workshops II - Act 48 Credit and Enrichment
- 2:45-4 Chapter Photographs taken according to Sign up Times
- 3-4 Raffle, Focus Tables and Projects Display Open
- 4:15 All Raffle and Chapter Focus Table Prizes Drawn and Posted
- 6 Seating for Banquet in Alumni Ballroom
- 6:15 Presentation of Past and Present Chapter Presidents; Ticketed Banquet; Keynote Address by Sandra Smith Bull, International Executive Coordinator; State Achievement Award Presentation; Entertainment by Pamela Chappell and Alpha Alpha State members

Sunday, June 11

Casual Dress

- 7 Spiritual Services
- 8 Celebration of Life
- 9 Honors Breakfast
- 9:45-10:45 Second General Session
- Presentation of Scholarships and Awards
- 11-Noon Executive Committee Meeting of State Officers and Committee Chairmen
- Noon Check out of Hotel

PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE PROVIDES Nine Convention Workshops for Personal and Professional Growth

By Cindy G. Reynolds, Chairman

The focus of Saturday afternoon at convention will be a variety of workshops with topics which will appeal to everyone. Presenters include chapter members, state members, and nationally known women. Act 48 hours will be offered to participants for the workshops-another good reason to attend the Alpha Alpha State Convention. The titles and presenters are listed below and more details will be available in the convention booklet which you will receive at registration:

Professional Workshops

- ☐ "Nettrekker.di"-The New, Free Educational Computer Software for Home and School by Kathy Brautigam
- ☐ "Adopt-an-Anchor" - Using reading and math anchors in Content Areas by Amy Hodges
- ☐ How Current Trends Affect Leadership Roles by Dr. Nancy Simon
- ☐ What to Do About No Child Left Behind by Bonnie Thompson

Personal Growth Workshops

- ☐ The I's Have It and A Journey in Journaling by the Alpha Alpha State Personal Growth and Services Committee
- ☐ Delta Kappa Gamma "Designing Hats" by Janelle Johnson and Mary Molyneaux-Leahy
- ☐ The Art of Gracious Giving: Discovering the Joy of Serving Others by Signa Parker

Two nationally known speakers will be with us throughout the convention and will present workshops as well:

- ☐ "Expect a Miracle" Foundation by founder Carolyn Gable
(See page 12 for more information)
- ☐ Fire Up Your Classroom with Music by Pamela Chappell

**Meet Pamela Chappell -
singer, songwriter,
recording artist, actor,
educator, and writer -
at 2006 Convention**

By Grace Schauer

Visual and Performing Arts Chair



Welcome to our New Initiates

Beta

Mrs. Gail M. Braun
Mrs. Kathy J. Pachulo

Gamma

Mrs. Margo Ann Keefer
Mrs. Nancy A. Kelley
Ms. Rita A. Kennerknecht
Dr. Jerilyn J. Riordan
Mrs. Sharon A. Pike
Mrs. Corinne Wiczorek
Mrs. Patricia A. Zalas

Delta

Louise Blazvsiak
Mrs. Carol Kinney
Mrs. Martina Semmer

Zeta

Mrs. Pamela Tesla
Christina M. VanHartogh
Mrs. Rosemari Solt
Ms. Tina M. Fetterman

Theta

Mrs. Mary Ellen Barringer
Mrs. Julianne M. Daller
Miss Patricia A. Illig

Lambda

Mrs. Kathleen L. Heltzel

Nu

Mrs. Amy N. Weddle
Mrs. Gail V. McFadden
Mrs. Lisa Marie Kiss
Mrs. Lisa B. Jannetta

Pi

Mrs. Deborah J. Johnson
Mrs. Peggy A. Williams

Sigma

Barbara J. Bohling
Mrs. Andrea S. Martine
Mrs. Kathy A. Specht

Pamela Chappell will be a welcomed guest at the 2006 Alpha Alpha State Convention. Those of us who have heard her sing at Minneapolis two years ago and at Cleveland Regional Meeting this past summer know what a treat this will be. With her guitar at hand she has inspired Delta Kappa



Tau

Mrs. Sharon Burcicki
Mrs. Rosa McCracken
Miss Concetta A. Parente
Ms. Martha Straub

Upsilon

Wendy L. Bigelow
Mrs. Frances A. Tomei

Phi

Mrs. Michelle Chierichella
Mrs. Gayle A. Field
Mrs. Amy J. Neugebauer
Mrs. Rebecca A. Senft
Mrs. Victoria B. Sheridan
Mrs. Betty A. Sutliff
Ms. Diane J. Szader

Psi

Amy J. Glasl
Christine F. Noel

Omega

Mrs. Paula D. Shoemaker
Melanie White
Jennifer M. Yutzey

Alpha Alpha

Mrs. Phyllis G. Snyder
Mrs. Millicent A. Tice

Alpha Beta

Mrs. Sonya L. Browell
Ms. Judy Ann Conrad
Kathy J. Lazor
Mrs. Melissa S. McDonald
Mrs. Tammy J. Miller
Mrs. Theresa L. Montgomery
Mrs. S. Ann Snyder

Alpha Gamma

Mrs. Susan L. Holt
Mrs. Brenda L. Kantz
Ms. Darlene M. Wheaton

Alpha Delta

Ms. Rebecca L. Bittner
Ms. JoAnne Coleman
Mrs. Christine W. Coulter
Mrs. Mary F. Gosnell

Alpha Epsilon

Mrs. Linda A. Anderson
Dotti L. Bence
Miss Amy M. Greene
Mrs. Jenny L. Lent
Mrs. Christeena M. McNeil
Ms. Karen E. Rathgeber

Alpha Zeta

Barbara Pulver
Pamela Patt
Stephanie Olver
Laurel Kapson
Terri Chapman
Jane Baney

Alpha Eta

Mrs. Catherine C. Link

Alpha Theta

Mrs. Barbara K. Keller
Miss Paula J. Kijowski
Mrs. Michelle L. Rothwell
Mrs. Jill A. Tedesco

Alpha Iota

Mrs. Sharon M. Ferringier
Mrs. Clara D. Meyer
Mrs. Kimberly M. Riley

Alpha Pi

Mrs. Stephanie A. Herscoe

Alpha Rho

Eleanor Miller - Honorary
Mrs. JoAnn Marie Jones
Mrs. Mary Jean O'Karma
Ms. Mary Therese Pitcavage
Mrs. Susan L. Zerfoss

Alpha Sigma

Mrs. Deborah Ann Bowser
Mrs. Stacey A. Harding
Mrs. Karen Lee Raub
Loretta Jaworski

Alpha Tau

Mrs. Michele L. Bain

Mrs. Linda M. Linn

Alpha Upsilon

Mrs. Karen Godfrey
Mrs. Mary E. Kalil

Alpha Phi

Mrs. LuAnn Judice
Mrs. Donna Duffy-Filipowski

Beta Beta

Ms. Phyllis M. Criste
Mrs. Wendy D. Fitzgerald
Ms. Crystal A. Mueller

Beta Delta

Mrs. Connie A. LaCoe
Mrs. Jill S. Patterson

Beta Epsilon

Mrs. Rose M. Alex
Ms. Nancy E. Fochler

Beta Zeta

Mrs. Janice E. Bowman
Mrs. Denise R. Cummins
Mrs. Phyllis D. Smith
Mrs. Jacqueline C. Zeni

Beta Theta

Karen Lee Miller-Newman

Beta Kappa

Maxine Hartlaub

Beta Nu

Mrs. Ann B. Fisher
Mary K. McManus
Mrs. Mary Shepard
Donna M. Yost

Beta Xi

Mrs. Juliet J. Arnold
Mrs. Janice E. Davis
Ms. Ednilou R. Reeder

Beta Omicron

Nancy Day
Jan Keith
Barbara Lathroum
Terri Marmugi

Beta Pi

Donna Bielawski
Judy Scancellia
Peggy Taylor
Kristin Zinicola

Gamma members and many children of all ages with her music. She is a singer/songwriter/recording artist/actor/educator/writer/ and grandmother. Pamela has been in the education field for 36 years and currently teaches classes in literacy, violence prevention, and integrating music into the curriculum for elementary school teachers. She has five CD recordings and one book to her credit, and is a musical keynoter of renown. She resides

in South Haven, Michigan and is Second Vice President and Music Chair for Gamma Theta Chapter as well as State Corresponding Secretary for Alpha Iota State (Michigan). Pamela was a recipient of a Diamond Jubilee Stipend in 2004 for her project, "A Little Sunshine", a CD for children.

CHAPTER NEWS

ALPHA RHO CHARTER MEMBER DIES

Louise Malkames, charter member of Alpha Rho chapter was an inspirational presence for many young women educators across the Northeast region of Pennsylvania. In her many professional roles, she served as a wonderful example of the finest traits that were so much a part of Dr. Annie Webb Blanton's vision for Delta Kappa Gamma. Louise served diligently in many offices of Alpha Rho, including president (1968-70) and countless other leadership positions as well.

Louise was a 1936 graduate of West Chester State Teacher's College, earning a B.S. degree in elementary education. She then became a member of the faculty of the Kingston (PA) School District. She took a leave of absence from 1944-45 to serve as a WAVE in the United States Navy.

Over the course of her 40 year career, Miss Malkames taught grades 2-6, served as Building Headteacher at the Maple Avenue Elementary School and eventually was named Building Principal.

Following the West Side (Wyoming Valley) Jointure, Louise was appointed Elementary Principal of both the Schuyler Avenue and Hemlock Street Elementary School of the newly created Wyoming Valley West School District. She was one of our area's first women to serve as a school district administrator.

Submitted by Kathleen Reiss

IOTA

**Elaine Smith
Receives
Chapter
Achievement
Award**



IOTA presented their chapter achievement award to Elaine Smith in November 2005. Elaine has served as corresponding secretary for IOTA for many years. She gives of her time and resources unendingly and unselfishly. IOTA members are very proud of the IOTA Informer - our chapter newsletter. Elaine recently started to include pictures in it. In addition to devoting her time to Delta Kappa Gamma, Elaine operates a shop in Claysburg called the Cat's Meow, and is very active in the local theater group. She recently retired from teaching. Everyone in IOTA is very proud to have Elaine as a devoted and hard-working member.

Submitted with photo by Wanda Keller

Beta Theta



*Marlene Popniuk, Beta Theta President
(L) and Doris Grubb, Projects Chair*

Beta Theta Chapter was pleased to receive a "Certificate of Excellence" and letter of recognition for chapter projects from The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. The recognition

was awarded for the chapter's La Gran Familia Boarding School Project in Mexico.

The project evolved from a trip to the country by a state scholarship recipient who visited school and observed dire needs in educational facilities. Beta Theta chapter members voted to "make a difference" by adopting a Mexican school as a project.

Following a great deal of research and many e-mails with the principal of the La Gran Familia Boarding School, members of the organization generously donated both materials and money to purchase classroom supplies for La Gran's teachers and students. Enclosed inside each box the chapter packaged and sent, was a picture of Delta Kappa Gamma's crest along with a (Spanish) description of the purposes of our organization. Maude Vignau, principal of La Gran Familia Boarding School, was very excited and grateful for our community service project.

*Submitted with photo by Doris Grubb, Projects
Chairman and Suzanne Long, Newsletter Editor*

THETA

Rosalie Dibert, a member of Theta, was the invited speaker for the February 22nd meeting held at Louis Tambellini's Restaurant. She is employed by the Pittsburgh Board of Education as an instructional specialist for national board certification classes. Rosalie teaches and observes district employees who are going for their certification.

Members were able to further their credentials through information on the required process for National Board Certification.

*From The Thetan Tattler
Verified by Cris Bridge*

CHAPTER NEWS

ETA



Art & Mil Kahley founded the Pennsylvania Ambassadors of Music

Eta Chapter met on December 3, 2005 at the Sprengle Village Lutheran Home in York. Members celebrated a "Continental Christmas- Excellence in Education" with Art and Eta member, Mil Kahley, founders of The Pennsylvania Ambassadors of Music. Together they have worked for 30 years to provide high school and college students with

experiences they will never forget.

The Pennsylvania Ambassadors of Music have traveled throughout Europe and Asia. A concert band, jazz ensemble and choir/singers share music wherever they go. The students learn more about the music and culture of the countries they visit. Interaction with others and shared stories complete their journey. Art and Mil showed us some instruments they have collected. They included an Alpine horn, an Ehu from China and a didgeridoo from Australia. They also shared some of their most memorable moments.

Kim Richard, an Eta member, traveled with the Kahleys in 1982. She shared her memory book from that trip.

The Kahleys have made valuable contributions to excellence in education.

Submitted with photo by Ruth Althouse



"Now I honestly have something I can take home and use with my kids."

(Quote from one of the parents participating in Eta's 3rd annual literacy night)

Eta Chapter sponsored their 3rd annual literacy night at Goode Elementary School in York City School District on October 20, 2005. The evening included dinner, story time, reading games, and a free wipe-off board, marker, eraser and book for all of the participants, including the parents. The goal is for the parents to continue reading and playing the reading games at home with their children. The project rotates to a different building each year so different populations of the city can be invited to take advantage of the program.

This has been a very successful project and has received many positive comments. One parent who attended the literacy night said, "Now I honestly have something I can take home and use with my kids." Additionally, several facilitators have done the workshop in Spanish so that all interested families are welcome to participate. Last year there were approximately 200 participants from McKinley and Jackson Schools. This project was made possible because of donations from Eta members and the York community.

Submitted by Cathy Bair, Projects Chair and photo by Ruth Althouse, Historical Records Chair

With Gratitude

Thank you to all of my Alpha Alpha State sisters for your support during my recent recuperation from surgery. Your prayers, calls and cards brightened my days and lifted my spirit.

It is so wonderful to know that sisters are there, no matter how much time and how many miles are between us!



Love,
Terri Stetler
Your *Keystonian* Editor

Thank you, Chapter Treasurers

A very special "Thank You" goes out to all of our dedicated chapter treasurers. My first months as your State Treasurer have been interesting and challenging. They began with Linda Fisher's careful orientation, and proceeded to an avalanche of checks and forms. Our mail carrier has suggested that I get a bigger mailbox. Together we completed the 2006 Dues and Fees process with only minor glitches. I thank you for your patience with me during this first year, and appreciate all that you do.

Linda O'Connor

State Treasurer

AREA MEETINGS

A DELTA KAPPA GAMMA BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

**SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2006
HOLIDAY INN AT GRANTVILLE
I 81-EXIT 80**

Sponsored by: Kappa, Nu, Alpha Kappa, Beta Theta and Beta Iota Chapters

Time: 11:15 Registration

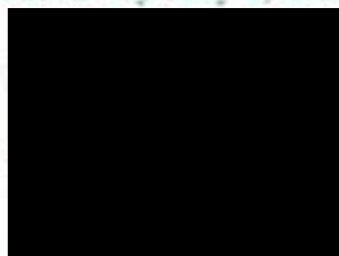
12:00 Lunch followed by Program

Karen Lindbergh is a technical assistant for Reading First in the State of Pennsylvania and is also a member of Delta Kappa Gamma. She presently serves 5 districts throughout Pennsylvania. She is dual certified in Special Ed. and Early Childhood. She has also completed her Reading Specialist certification.

Karen is a member of Divine Destiny Ministries and has spent a year in Bible study and is part of a team which ministers in foreign countries. Karen wants all children to learn to read and so visits schools when her team visits a country. She will review two trips for us. Come expecting to make a difference in the life of a child. You will be inspired.

A very special guest will also be visiting with us to help us celebrate our birthdays. We cannot tell you who it is but you will really enjoy her visit.

R.S.V.P. by May 6, 2006



Please make check of \$20 payable to Beta Theta Chapter

Name _____
Chapter _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____
Home phone _____
Email: _____

Circle menu choice: Chef's Salad Vegetable Quiche

ΔKT NORTHEAST AREA GATHERING



You are invited to a picnic at
**Lazy Brook Park
Route 6
Tunkhannock, PA**

**Monday June 19, 2006
12:00 NOON**

Sponsored by: Alpha Zeta, Beta Rho, Phi and Alpha Rho

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share and your own table service (plate and flat wear). Coolers of ice with tea, lemonade and water will be supplied by the host chapters. Our "Fellowship" theme will be highlighted by ALP (Adventure, Learning and Programming for Success), a "Tuneful Teachers" sing-a-long and door prizes. Dress is casual. Children are welcome.

DIRECTIONS

From North: Take I 81 south to Clarks Summit and Rt. 6 east. Lazy Brook Park is beyond Keystone College; across from a saw mill and at the Rt. 92 intersection.
From South: Take I 81 north to Clarks Summit and Rt. 6 east. Follow directions as above.

REGISTRATION

Please send completed form by **June 15, 2006** to:
Ann Mount



Name _____
Chapter _____
of children under 12 attending _____
Side dish _____
Dessert _____

Save These Dates for Alpha Alpha State !

March 26 - Area Meeting - York, PA
(See Winter 2006 Keystoneian p. 16)

April 1 - Area Meeting - Pittsburgh, PA
(See Winter 2006 Keystoneian p. 17)

April 22 - Joint Chapter Meeting
Mu, Tau, Sigma, Beta Sigma, Alpha Rho
Best Western East Mountain Hotel
Route 115
Wilkes Barre, PA

April 28-30 - Women in the Arts Retreat
Port Matilda, PA
(See Winter 2006 Keystoneian pp. 20,21)

June 9-11 - State Convention
State College, PA
(See Spring 2006 Keystoneian pp. 10,11)

DIRECTORY CORRECTION:

Please change Leora Rager's phone number to:

**3rd Annual Creative Arts
Retreat**
April 28-30, 2006



You have heard about it!
Now experience it for yourself!
The 3rd annual Women in the Arts Retreat will be held April 28-30, 2006. Creative arts workshops will include crafts, painting, music, drama, and more. This year we will gather at the beautiful St. Josephs Institute near Port Matilda. Whisk yourself away to this mountain resort featuring a wellness center. (Check their website: www.stjosephsinstitute.com Schedule a facial or body wrap while you are there. Costs for spa treatments are in addition to registration and room fees).
Weekend registration = \$165 per participant
Saturday only registration = \$65 per participant
1 Night Only registration = \$115 per participant
Includes: Room, registration, meals, snacks, and materials for activities. All rooms will be 2 person rooms. Retreat registration and room reservations will be handled by: Kay Stuart, [REDACTED]
(See your Winter 2006 Keystoneian pp. 20, 21) This promises to be a rejuvenating and enriching weekend with your Delta Kappa Gamma Sisters.

Deadline for registration: March 12, 2006

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

A Special Invitation

International President Jackie Cuppy and the California Steering Committee invite you to Southern California to attend the 2006 International Convention. It will be held from July 18-22, 2006, at the San Diego Marriott Marina Hotel.

Why should I attend?

- ☐ To learn more about this great Society
- ☐ To meet the International and State leaders
- ☐ To see friends from all over the world
- ☐ To celebrate being a member
- ☐ To be inspired by outstanding speakers
- ☐ To enjoy the food, the scenery, the fabulous weather!
- ☐ To explore the city of San Diego by foot, trolley, car, taxi, pedi cab - the possibilities are endless
- ☐ To make your voice heard on constitutional issues

The hotel is located right downtown near San Diego Bay, where all the action is! There is so much to see and do within walking distance of the hotel:

- ☐ The Gaslamp Quarter with its fabulous restaurants
- ☐ PetCo Park where the Padres baseball team plays
- ☐ Seaport Village and Horton Plaza for shopping
- ☐ The beautiful San Diego Marina and Bay
- ☐ The trolley system that can whisk you away to the border with Mexico, Old Town, the San Diego Mission, and more shopping centers!

Make your plans now for this summer!

Plan to come early or stay late!

San Diego in 2006 is an International Convention not to be missed!

Want to mentor a First Timer in San Diego?
Read your November-December 2005
International News...page 2.

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and excellence
in education.

Martha was a member of Zeta Chapter and was initiated in 1963. She served on numerous committees during those years. Her career spanned many years in the Beaver Falls School District where she taught at the elementary level.